

Open Evenings.

THE CHRISTMAS STORE

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Hartley's

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Christmas Close at Hand Shop Early In The Morning If You Can

It is fair to say that his store offers the best opportunity of comfortable and safe shopping.

Lots and loads of Christmas goods are going out each day and there's going to be a shortage of certain choice things a little later.

Wise people are coming in the good morning hours, when all the displays of each new day are freshest and undisturbed.

One thing certain, the buyer here gets value for expenditure at any time.



Gifts for Men

Know Ye! Know Ye! Know Ye!
Good Men and Good Wives All—

That a man never tells a woman what he wants—but men have been coming to us daily for over 35 years and telling us just what they want—

And we know what you want—we are ready with the goods.

KID GLOVES and Driving Gloves \$1.00 to \$5.00
SOFT AND STIFF HATS, very new \$2.00 to \$4.00
SILK, PERCALE and Woolen Shirts 50c to \$4.00
HOSIERY, silk and cotton 25c to \$1.00
GUARANTEED Hole-Proof Hosiery, box of 3 pairs \$1.50
COAT HANGER SETS, in leather case \$1.00
COLLAR BAGS of soft leather \$1.00 to \$3.00
WOOLEN SMOKING JACKETS, all colors, \$5 to \$10
BATH ROBES of TERRY cloth, all colors \$3.50 to \$12.50

TIE, HOSE AND HANDKERCHIEF in sets 50c to \$2.00
UNDERWEAR, silk or cotton 50c to \$3.00
WARDROBE and Steamer Trunks \$5.00 to \$25.00
INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS, boxed or separate 10c to 50c
OVERCOATS and Suits \$10.00 to \$30.00
KNITTED OR SILK TIES, very new 50c to \$1.50
SILK MUFFS or Scarfs \$1.00 to \$2.50
SHOES styles and dependable \$4.00 to \$7.00
HOUSE SLIPPERS, leather and felt 85c to \$3.00
SHAVING SETS, mirror, cup and brush, \$3.50 to \$10
CUFF BUTTONS and Scarf Pins, special 50c to \$1.50
KID GLOVES, in all colors \$1.00 to \$2.50
PAJAMAS, silk, wool or cotton \$1.00 to \$5.00
MILITARY BRUSHES of every style, \$1.50 to \$6.00
HANDBAGS and Suit Cases \$2.50 to \$15.00

FURNITURE GIFTS FOR MEN
ROYAL EASY LOUNGING CHAIRS \$15 to \$30
CHIFFIROLES, with four drawers \$20 to \$25
BOOK CASES, three sections, top and base, \$10.25
FOLDING CARD TABLES, leather or felt top \$1.98 to \$10.00
SMOKING STANDS, brass and mahogany, 98c to \$10
GLOBE-WERNICKE Filing Devices 75c to \$50
COSTUMES, oak, brass and mahogany, \$1.35 to \$10
OFFICE CHAIRS, oak, leather upholstered \$5.00 to \$12.50
WRITING DESKS \$7.50 to \$17
ROCKING CHAIRS, in all finishes \$3.00 to \$30

FOR THE HOME
CINDERELLA GAS RANGES \$24.75 to \$42.00
SEWING TABLES, all styles \$3.50 to \$12
RUGS, small and room size 80c to \$60
PIANO AND TABLE SCARFS \$3.00 to \$10
CEDAR CHESTS \$4.90 to \$15
BRONZE IMAGES AND VASES 25c to \$5.00
TABLE CLOTHS, reliable quality \$1.25 to \$7.50
HEMSTITCHED FINISH NAPKINS, a dozen \$2.25 to \$5.00
CENTER PIECES, very special 10c to \$22.50
CUT GLASS PIECES new designs 25c to \$7.50
FANCY CHINA PIECES 25c to \$9.00

Gifts for Women

For Mother, Sister, Aunt, Grandma, or for some Dear Friend, we have loads of pretty and inexpensive gifts as well the more elaborate things.

Just a little gift, costing one dollar, may give a thousand dollars worth of pleasure and be a life-long grateful memory.

FURS, MUFFS AND SCARFS all dependable \$3.00 to \$50.00
KID GLOVES, long and short \$1.00 to \$4.00
SILK STOCKINGS, plain and fancy 50c to \$3.50
ART NEEDLEWORK and fancy goods, 25c to \$20
HANDBAGS, with vanity fittings \$1.00 to \$8.50
RINGS, BROOCHES and other jewelry 18c to \$4.00

Special \$1.80 to \$4.00
COATS, SUITS AND DRESSES, in Special Sale, EVENING WRAPS, very beautiful \$20 to \$35
NIGHT GOWNS, silk, linen and muslin, 30c to \$1.00
FANCY BRASSIERES, in all colors \$1.00 to \$5.00
SILK PETTICOATS, in all colors \$1.95 to \$5.00
SWEATERS, plain and fancy \$1.00 to \$10
SWEATERS, plain and fancy weaves \$3.00 to \$10
HANDKERCHIEFS initial and plain 50c to \$1.00
SILK UNDERWEAR, in all colors \$2.00 to \$5.00
TOILET SETS, gold, silver and wood \$1.50 to \$25
MIRRORS, in all styles 50c to \$5.00
PERFUMERY, the most favored 50c to \$5.00
FANCY NEGLIGEE, in all styles \$1.00 to \$10
GLOVE and HANDKERCHIEF boxes, \$1 to \$1.50
BOOKS, all the latest editions 50c to \$1.00
SHOES, the very latest \$3.50 to \$6.00
HOUSE SLIPPERS, all colors 65c to \$2.00

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---Don't forget Toys!---

THIRD FLOOR

A TRIUMVIRATE OF REAL EVILS

Factors Which Affect Well
Being of Farmers.

BAD BOOK WORST ROBBER.

Weather, Books and Roads Contribute Largely to the Influences of Rural Life—All Are Factors in Favor of the Mail Order House and Against Local Merchant.

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Weather, books and roads contribute largely to the influences of rural life. Bad weather and bad roads mean—books.

And books they say are the light-houses erected in the great sea of time. They are masters who instruct us without rods or ferules, without words or anger, without bread or money. If you approach them they are not asleep. If you seek them they do not hide. If you blunder they do not scold. If you are ignorant they do not laugh.

But the worst robber in all the world is a bad book. It has long been the devil's policy to keep the masses of mankind in ignorance; but, finding that they will read, he is doing all in his power to poison their books. Now, let's see what our rural friend is reading. Oh, dear! Oh, dear! Oh, dear! The book is a huge pictorial, tricolored retail catalogue.

The catalogues of mail order houses are a kind of leaky boat on the waters of temptation; some of the temptation will get in anyhow.

Mud a Great Help Too.

What is more natural with gloom, darkness, rain and mud surrounding a farmer or suburban dweller, when to venture forth means either a sacrifice of self or faithful horses, than for him to turn to the alluring catalogue for both pasture and a means of procuring the necessities of life? Thus it can be seen that the third and best factor in favor of the catalogue houses is mud.

Man is measured by his deeds, and it seems strange that after mastering the art of reading the stars, discovering the course of the planets, controlling the iron monster, the lightning, the sea and the wind, man shows this inability to conquer the one great problem which is proving such a drawback to the best expression of his life in rural districts as far as social and commercial conditions are concerned. Poor roads seem to be his heritage, his master.

A country's stability is measured by its agricultural importance, as the well being of a nation is like a tree—agriculture is its root; industry and commerce are its branches and its life. If the root be injured the leaves fall, the branches break away and the tree dies. Community pride begins where agriculture leaves off, and both are equal and inseparable in their importance to a healthy, happy, successful existence for man.

Blue Grass Roads Are Best.

It is a pleasure to drive through the blue grass district of Kentucky, where they have what they call macadamized turnpikes. These roads are the equal of any paved city street and of course are passable at all seasons of the year. They cost approximately \$3,000 per mile. The highways in Kentucky are from thirty to sixty feet in width. It is estimated that were the highways of Illinois regulated to fifty feet \$25,000,000 could be added to the wealth of the farmers of the state. That alone would build more than 8,000 miles of road.

Spent \$150,000,000.

This country today has about 2,250,000 miles of public highway, on which it is estimated that the people of the country are spending \$150,000,000 annually. Statistics say we also spend \$2,000,000,000 for alcohol, \$9,000,000,000 for tobacco, and it is said that the ladies spend \$305,000,000 yearly for candy. If all this money could be appropriated for road building we could have a turnpike to the moon.

The principal cause of the Roman empire's downfall was its neglect of agriculture—the exodus of its men and women from the farm to the city, the life there to be spent in extravagant and riotous living. Go to any of our cities today and view the extravagant dress and general trend of life for pleasure and you will feel that the old Roman times are being repeated.

It would seem that the remedy lies in building good roads, narrow if advisable, but firm and hard, and have them all lead to your trading center and to the doors of your local merchants. Then on gloomy, rainy days you can do your marketing, and then "back to the farm" without sacrifice to self or injury to beast.

Nothing tends to make a man a good citizen so much as co-operation with his fellows. No man can live for himself alone. Selfishness leads nowhere but to destruction, strife, bad feeling and disorder. It is one of the meanest of all the vices.

The farmer and the town consumer who patronize the retail catalogue houses also assist materially in the destruction of the local market and trading center. This practice of sending local money to out of town merchants is a dangerous habit.

GOES TO REFORM SCHOOL.

Harry Preston, of Shinnston, aged 17 years, was sentenced to the Reform School by Judge Hammond yesterday for forging a check. Preston was indicted at the last sitting of the grand jury.

Osgood's
for
Quality

STORE OPEN EVENING

Come Wednesday And
And Bring Ten Dollars

To wind up a record-breaking Christmas week, we place on Sale for Wednesday

DRESSES worth \$20.00
FUR SETS worth \$15.00
COATS worth \$20.00
SUITS worth \$20.00

\$10.00

Select a \$20.00 Gift and
you pay only

HALF PRICE
TEN DOLLARS

Your choice from any of
these wonderful values at
one price:

Ten Dollars

Wednesday Only!

These Items Are Going Fast! Don't
Wait Until The Last Day

Handkerchiefs in Fancy Boxes 25c, 50c to \$1.00
Fancy Ribbon Novelties 25c, 50c to \$1.00
Pandora and Party Boxes \$1.00, \$2.50 to \$5.00
Beautiful Waists in Holly Boxes \$1.50, \$1.98 to \$3.75
Silk and Jersey Petticoats, Holly Boxes \$2.50, \$3.00 to \$5.00

OSGOOD'S Practical Gift Store

PERSONALS
PEOPLE
AS THEY COME AND GO

Mrs. J. W. Peppers and daughter, Miss Mary Frances, of Parkersburg, will arrive tonight to spend the holidays with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Arnett. Mr. Peppers and son, John, will join them on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Saunders, of Baltimore, will arrive here Wednesday to spend Christmas with the latter's mother, Mrs. Lydia Malone Foster.

Miss Adele Furber, who attends Goucher College in Baltimore, has returned to her home in Mannington for the holidays.

The Misses Alice Quirk, Mary Barrett, Nora Gaughan and Wendell Handley, of Mannington, Normal school students, have gone to their homes for the holidays.

Mrs. John S. Scott and daughter, Miss Pearl, leave Wednesday for Kansas City, Mo., where they will be the guests of the former's sister, Mrs. Thomas Hall.

Prof. and Mrs. J. W. May, who had spent the summer and fall at Mt. Lake Park, Md., will spend the holidays with relatives here. They will go South for the remainder of the winter.

Mrs. L. D. Carpenter, who had been in the city for several weeks as the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Harr, left last night for her home in New Castle, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Titherington and son, James, left last night for Philadelphia to spend the holidays with relatives.

Luther Davis, who attends the Missouri University at Columbia, Mo., is home to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Martha Davis, on Barney street.

Dudley D. Britt, of Clarksburg, engineer for the Monongahela Valley Traction Company, was a business visitor here today.

W. J. McElhenny, of West Union, was a business visitor here today.

The Rev. Father John McElligott, of Gratton, was here yesterday as the guest of the Rev. Father Boulton.

The Junior Auxiliary of Christ Protestant Episcopal church, will give an entertainment in the Sunday school room of the church tonight.

Mrs. Patrick Jones and son James, and Miss Garnet Gans, of Mountaineer, arrived here today to visit relatives during the holidays.

Mrs. M. E. Yeager who has been ill for some time at her home on Locust avenue is in a serious condition.

Herbert Watkins, of Pittsburgh is the guest of relatives in the city.

Carroll Carr, who attends Music School in Warren, O., is here to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Carr on Chestnut St.

Miss Virginia Vockrodt, a teacher in the high school, has gone to Van Lear, Ky., to spend the holidays with her mother Mrs. Anna Vockrodt.

Miss Edith Durrett who attends St. Anne's School at Charlottesville, Va., is home to spend the vacation with her father, Dr. J. J. Durrett, on Fairmont avenue.

Mrs. Norman Passes Away

DIED AT HOME IN WORTHINGTON
AFTER LONG ILLNESS—FUNERAL ON WEDNESDAY.

Mrs. Fanny Coffman Norman, wife of Seymour Norman, of Worthington, and daughter of Mrs. Sarah Randall, died yesterday morning at her home at Worthington, after a several months' illness. Mrs. Norman underwent an operation in this city in September, from which she had never recovered, and her death was not unexpected.

Deceased was aged 58 years and was married twice. Her first husband, Mr. Coffman, died a number of years ago, and she was afterwards united in marriage with Mr. Norman, who survives her. Several children by her first marriage also survive, namely, Mrs. Dona Phillips, Spokane, Wash.; Carl Coffman, of Worthington; George M. Coffman, of Galveston, Texas; L. J. Coffman, of Missula, Montana, and Claude E. Coffman, of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Deceased was a member of the Christian church and was a woman of excellent Christian character. Her death is deeply deplored by a wide circle of relatives and friends.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock from her late residence in Worthington and the remains will be brought to this city on the 12 o'clock car and interment will be made in Woodlawn cemetery, under direction of Undertaker Harmer, of Shinnston, and Undertakers Musgrave and Sons, of this city.

German Socialist Fights for French

By Associated Press.]
AMSTERDAM, via London, Dec. 22.—A Berlin dispatch confirms the report that Dr. Weill the socialist member of the Reichstag for Metz who was with J. L. Gaurez the French socialist leader, when the latter was shot in Paris volunteered for service in the French army on August 5. Dr. Weill's disappearance from Germany has caused considerable comment.

The "Vorwaerts," the organ of the German socialists strongly condemns the action of Dr. Weill.

Children Cry
FOR FLETCHER'S
CASTORIA



If He Smokes—

You can count on pleasing him most by selecting his favorite brand from among our stock of fresh, perfect cigars. Popular prices by the box—expressly wrapped for the holidays.

Popular brands—Reasonable Prices.
From \$1.00 to \$6.00 the box.

MOUNTAIN CITY DRUG COMPANY
Opposite Court House

Society

At Christ Church.
"Five Cups of Chocolate" and "The Bird's Christmas Carol" are two of the titles of attractive little playlets which will be presented at Christ church tonight by the Junior Auxiliary of the church. In addition to the plays, Miss Anna Brock Showalter will sing.

Gave Recital.
The pupils in music of Mrs. M. D. Christie gave a recital last evening at the Christie home on Locust avenue. A splendid program was well rendered by the pupils who included Misses Frances Robey, Mary Margaret Talbot, Virginia Cook, Helen Poole, Virginia Alexander, Gladys Shroyer and Frances Helmick.

Home for Holidays.
Miss Ruth Miller, who attends the Boston Conservatory of Music in Boston, arrived home last night from

MAKE THE MOST OF THE NEXT
FEW DAYS

In buying a nice Christmas present for the family.
Can you think of anything that would be more entertaining in the home than a nice Piano or Victrola?

Our easy payment plan should enable every one to consider the purchase of a musical instrument this time.

Pianos \$150 to \$1,200.00
Victrolas from \$15.00 to \$200.00
Let us fit you out in the way of a nice Christmas gift.

Opp. New P. O. Monroe St.
Open Evenings.

C. A. HOUSE
Music Store

Monroe Street. Bell Phone 981
Open Evenings.

Pittsburgh, where she had spent the week-end with friends. She was accompanied here by a former schoolmate in the Pennsylvania College, Pittsburgh, Miss Martha Banford, of Pittsburgh, who will be her guest during the holidays. George Miller, who attends the University of Wisconsin at Madison, Wis., arrived home last evening for the holidays.

Christmas in Morgantown.
Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Stoetzer and son John will spend Christmas day in Morgantown the guests of Mrs. Stoetzer's mother, Mrs. John J. Brown. Mrs. Brown who had been here for several days returned to Morgantown this afternoon.

Holiday in Washington.
Miss Marian Rock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Rock, who attends St. Edith's School in Virginia near Washington will spend the holiday season in Washington with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Johnson who are residing there for the winter.

W. C. T. U. Crusade Meeting.
Forty-one years ago in this city a band of Christian women being deeply impressed with the necessity of a temperance reform in our midst ceased their preparations for Christmas and gathered at the M. E. church for prayer and supplication as part of a nation wide movement originating at Hillsboro, Ohio. While some remained in the church to engage in singing and prayer, others went out into the streets and prayed in front of the saloons, being forbidden to hold the services within.

The streets at the time were in about the same condition as they were

the latter part of last week when the melting snows made little streams of water along the curbs, but the brave hearted women were not to be turned aside from their purpose. This movement resulted in the organization of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the largest and most systematic women's organization in the world. The local Central Union will on Wednesday at 2:30 p. m. observe their crusade anniversary at the home of Mrs. L. C. Powell on Barney street, who is one of the few remaining crusaders. The others are Miss Carrie Shore, Mrs. Mary Reed, Mrs. Jane Ingman, Mrs. J. E. Vance and Mrs. D. S. Helmick.

DR. DESHA BRECKINRIDGE.

Prominent in Kentucky as a Suffragist.

